

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 107529

11

ORIGIN IO-02

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 OES-01 /004 R

66011

DRAFTED BY: IO/SCT:LNCAVANAUGH

APPROVED BY: IO-STAFF ASS'T

OES-MR DEVINE (PHONE)

----- 040462

R 040108Z MAY 76

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

INFO USMISSION IAEA VIENNA 6162

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 107529

FOLLOWING REPEAT CAPE TOWN 485 ACTION SECSTATE INFO
PRETORIA DTD 28 APR

QTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L CAPE TOWN 485

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PARM, TECH, SF

SUBJ: PROPOSED U.S.-DUTCH-SWISS NUCLEAR SALE TO SOUTH AFRICA

REF: STATE 09804, STATE 099278

1. OIC PRETORIA CALLED ON ESCOM GENERAL MANAGER SMITH ON APRIL 26 AND ORALLY PRESENTED POINTS OF REFTEL 98043. AS ANTICIPATED, SMITH PRESSED FOR THESE POINTS IN WRITING FOR WHICH OIC UNDERTOOK SEEK AUTHORIZATION. SMITH SAID THAT SUCH A LETTER WOULD BE PLACED IN SEALED FILES ON RECEIPT.

2. SMITH VOLUNTEERED THAT ESCOM PLANS TO ISSUE SHORTLY LETTER OF INTENT TO G.E.-LED CONSORTIUM. IMPORTANT FACTOR, BUT UNQUANTIFIABLE IN TENDER EVALUATION, SMITH SAID, WAS U.S. REPUTATION FOR RELIABILITY ESPECIALLY ON SERVICING. HE DID NOT RAISE QUESTION OF INTEREST RATES.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 107529

3. SMITH REITERATED ESCOM ASSURANCES THAT NO PRESS RELEASE

PLANNED. HE DID NOTE INTENTION TO INFORM OTHER TWO
CONSORTIA OF TENTATIVE DECISION IN FAVOR OF G.E. CONSORTIUM
BUT THEIR TENDERS WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS REMAINING VALID PENDING
FINAL DECISION. HE SAID THAT DUTCH HAD NOT YET GIVEN COMMITMENT
SIMILAR TO OURS.

4. AMBASSADOR SAW DFA SECRETARY BRAND FOURIE ON APR 28
AND MADE SAME PRESENTATION. HE TOO ASKED FOR POINTS IN
WRITING. AMBASSADOR TOLD HIM THAT HE WOULD SEE AUTHORIZATION
TO DO THIS AND FORESAW NO PROBLEM IN OBTAINING IT.
UNDERSTANDING REACHED WITH ESCOM CONCERNING NO PUBLIC
ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING THE AWARD AT THIS TIME WAS REVIEWED
WITH FOURIE AND HE NOTED THIS AS MATTER OF ESCOM TO HANDLE.
FOURIE ALSO STRESSED IMPORTANCE TO SAG OF BEING ABLE TO
COUNT ON UWMS. COMMITMENT FOR NECESSARY EQUIPMENT IN BUILDING
KOBBERG STATIONS AND SERVICING THEM IF AWARD MADE TO U.S.-LED
CONSORTIA.
BOWDLER UNQTE SISCO

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: SALES, NEGOTIATIONS, NUCLEAR REACTORS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 04 MAY 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ShawDG
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE107529
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: IO/SCT:LNCAVANAUGH
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760170-0669
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760593/aaaadbqa.tel
Line Count: 79
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN IO
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 STATE 9804, 76 STATE 99278
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 23 MAR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <23 MAR 2004 by SmithRJ>; APPROVED <27 JUL 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PROPOSED U.S.-DUTCH-SWISS NUCLEAR SALE TO SOUTH AFRICA
TAGS: PFOR, PARM, TECH, SF, US, NL, SZ
To: IAEA VIENNA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006